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SUBJ: UN MEMORIAL CEMETERY

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1. REPS OF TEN COUNTRIES NOT INCLUDING ROK WHOSE MEN ARE INTERRED IN MEMORIAL CEMETERY MET AT NETHERLANDS MISSION DEC 18 TO ATTEMPT TO PUSH FORWARD CREATION OF A MEMORIAL CEMETERY COMMISSION AND BEGIN TO RESOLVE QUESTION OF PARTICIPATION IN FINANCING MAINTENANCE COSTS. GROUP AGREED THAT NETHERLANDS REP VAN DER KLAUW WOULD INFORM USYG DAVIDSON OF INTENT TO ESTABLISH COMMISSION IN SEOUL. VAN DER KLAUW ASKED ALL REPS WHO HAD NOT ALREADY DONE SO TO INFORM THEIR EMBASSIES IN SEOUL OF ACTION TAKEN IN NEW YORK TO DATE. VAN DER KLAUW ALSO AGREED, ON BEHALF OF TEN, TO REQUEST ROK MISSION TO URGE ROKG TO TAKE INITIATIVE IN SETTING UP COMMISSION. HE ADDED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD FROM KOREANS THAT ROK MISSION HAD FORMALLY PROPOSED THAT ROKG ASSUME ONE-HALF OF MAINTENANCE COSTS. DECISION WILL EVENTUALLY BE MADE BY FINANCE MINISTRY.

2. PARTICIPANTS DISAGREED ON BEST METHOD OF APPORTIONING REMAINING COSTS. TURKSIH, FRENCH, AND US REPS, WHILE

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EXPLAINING THAT THEY LACKED FULL INSTRUCTIONS, EXPRESSED

PREFERENCE FOR SHARE AND SHARE ALIKE ASSESSMENT; I.E., ABOUT \$4,000 PER YEAR PER COUNTRY. REPS OF NORWAY, NETHERLANDS, UK, AND NEW ZEALAND SUPPORTED NETHERLANDS 50-50 SCHEME; I.E., ONE-HALF BASED ON NUMBER OF NATIONAL GRAVES AND ONE-HALF ON UN SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS. HOWEVER, IN LIGHT OF SMALL SUMS INVOLVED, ALL WERE WILLING TO SHOW FLEXIBILITY ON QUESTION.

3. VAN DER KLAUW ANNOUNED THAT HE WOULD CALL MTG IN JAN.

4. DEPT'S INSTRUCTIONS ON APPORTIONMENT OF MAINTENANCE COSTS FOR CEMETERY ARE REQUESTED.  
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